

CCC camps changed Utah — and lives of workers

Another in a weekly series chronicling Utah's history.

The headline: *"Forest Program Begins Thursday; First 25,000 Will Go to Army Camp for Conditioning," Deseret News, April 5, 1933*

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With the signing of Executive Order 6106, President Franklin D. Roosevelt created the Civilian Conservation Corps, a program that would have a profound impact on Utah over the next 10 years. The CCC was part of Roosevelt's New Deal "first 100 days effort" to pull the United States out of the ongoing Great Depression that followed the stock market crash of 1929. An estimated 16 million Americans were unemployed, including 5 million to 7 million young men in the 16-25 age group.

Utah was particularly hard-hit by the depression, with its annual per capita income



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CCC camp east of Kamas was among dozens that undertook forestry projects.

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**Operable Unit 8 and invites public comment on
the proposal.**

A Proposed Plan for an Interim Action has been released by Hill AFB. A public comment period is being held **beginning August 8, 1995 and ending September 7, 1995**. During this time, Hill AFB will accept the public's input on the proposal. In conjunction with the proposal and the public comment period, Hill AFB is holding an **Open House, Thursday, August 17, 1995, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Northridge High School in Layton.**

As part of its Superfund cleanup operations, Hill AFB is investigating an area south of the base in Layton for possible groundwater contamination. The investigation has discovered small amounts of contamination in the underground water within the area of investigation. Environmental engineers have not yet determined the sources of the contamination and have not yet defined the extent of the contamination off base. However, we do know that the contamination has not affected drinking water supplies. The investigation is continuing and is scheduled to be completed in 1997. Cleanup of the entire site will begin in 2000.

While the extent of off-base contamination is still unclear, engineers have defined an area of contamination on base beneath the industrial complex. The flow of underground water on base is carrying most of the contamination away from the base boundary. However, groundwater flows a different direction near the southern base boundary and may be carrying some contaminants to the south and off base.

An Open House will be held the evening of Thursday, Aug. 17, at Northridge High School in Layton. Environmental experts from Hill AFB, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Utah Department of Environmental Quality will be present to discuss your concerns and answer your questions. Because it's an open house, you can come any time between 4 and 8 p.m. and stay as long as you like.

The Air Force will accept public comments on the proposal from Aug. 8 through Sept. 7. Comments can be submitted by mail or in person at the open house. A recorder will be available at the open house to take any verbal comments on the proposal. All comments will become part of the official record. To submit comments by mail, please send them to Ms. Gwen Brewer, OO-ALC/EM, 7274 Wardleigh Road, Hill AFB, UT 84056-5137. The public comment period may be extended for an additional 30 days by sending a written request to Ms. Brewer, postmarked no later than Sept. 7.

Hill AFB is the lead agency in cleanup operations, working in cooperation with the Utah Department of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Information Repository and Administrative Record contain all documents pertaining to OU-8, as well as all other hazardous waste sites at Hill. All documents are available for public review at the following locations:

<p>Information Repository Davis County Library-Central Branch 155 N. Wasatch Drive Layton, Utah Hours: Mon-Thurs 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fri and Sat 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Administrative Record Environmental Management Directorate 7274 Wardleigh Road, Bldg. 5 (North end) Hill AFB, Utah Hours: Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call for an appointment.</p>
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